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In re Application of: : Docket No: ACD 2731 US
JERNEJ JELENIC :
Serial No: To be Assigned : Examiner: ----
Filing Date: To be Assigned : Group Art Unit: ----
Title: CROSS-LINKED PRODUCTS WITH :
NO BLOOMING AND REDUCED FOGGING :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 5, after the Title, insert the following new paragraph:

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-- The present invention is national phase filing based on PCT Application Serial No. PCT/EP00/08843, filed September 1, 2000, which claims priority from European Patent Application Serial No. 99202867.0, filed September 3, 1999 and from U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/163,841, filed November 5, 1999.--

Please Amend Claims 1-11 so that they appear as follows:

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1. A process to cross-link a polymer/elastomer by means of the free radicals formed by the decomposition of a peroxide, wherein one or more copolymers comprising olefin-derived moieties as well as anhydride and/or acid groups is used in a quantity of from 0.05 to 10